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Applicant	:	Devore, et al.	Group Art Unit 3731
Appl. No.	:	10/081,712	
Filed	:	February 21, 2002	
For	:	INTRA-BRONCHIAL OBSTRUCTING DEVICE THAT CONTROLS BIOLOGICAL INTERACTION WITH THE PATIENT	
Examiner	:	Dawson, Glenn K.	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 5 of this paper. A "Replacement Sheet" for each sheet of drawings being amended can be found in the Appendix.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.